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18:1 He that liveth for ever, created all things in general.

18:2 The Lord only is righteous, and there is none other but he.

18:3 Who governeth the world with the palm of his hand, and

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all things obey his will, for he is the king of all, by his power dividing holy things among them from profane.

18: 4 To whom hath he given power to declare his works? and who shall find out his noble acts?

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18: 5 Who shall number
the strength of his
majesty? and who
shall also tell out his
mercies?

18: 6 As for the
wondrous works of
the Lord, there may
nothing be taken from
them, neither may any
thing be put unto

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**them, neither can the
ground of them be
found out.**

18:7 Then a man hath
done, then he
beginneth, and when
he leaveth off, then he
shall be doubtful.

18:8 What is man, and
whereto serveth he?
what is his good, and

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what is his evil?

18:9 The number of a man's days at the most are an hundred years.

18:10 As a drop of water unto the sea, and a gravel stone in comparison of the sand, so are a thousand years to the

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days of eternity.

18:11 Therefore is God patient with them, and poureth forth his mercy upon them.

18:12 He saw and perceived their end to be evil, therefore he multiplied his compassion.

18:13 The mercy of

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**man is toward his
neighbor, but the
mercy of the Lord
is upon all flesh:
he reproveth and
nurtureth, and
teacheth, and
bringeth again as
a shepherd his flock.**

**18:14 He hath mercy
on them that receive**

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**discipline, and that
diligently seek after
his judgments.**

18:15 My son, blemish
not thy good deeds,
neither use
uncomfortable
words when thou
givest any thing.

18:16 Shall not the
dew assuage the

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heat? so is a word
better than a gift.

^{18:}**17** Lo is not a
word better than a
gift? but both are
with a gracious man.

^{18:}**18** A fool will
upbraid churlishly,
and a gift of the
envious consumeth
the eyes.

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18:19 Learn before
thou speak, and
use physic, or ever
thou be sick.

18:20 Before
judgement examine
thyself, and in the
day of visitation thou
shalt find mercy.

18:21 Humble thyself
before thou be sick,

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**and in the time of sins
shew repentance.**

18:22 Let nothing
hinder thee to pay thy
vow in due time, and
defer not until death
to be justified.

18:23 Before thou
prayest, prepare
thyself, and be not as
one that tempteth

the Lord.

18:24 Think upon the wrath that shall be at the end; and the time of vengeance when he shall turn away his face.

18:25 When thou hast enough remember the time of hunger, and when thou art rich

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**think upon poverty
and need.**

18:26 From the
morning until the
evening the time is
changed, and all
things are soon done
before the Lord.

18:27 A **wise** man will
fear in every thing,
and in the day of

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sinning he will beware
of offence: but a fool
will not observe time.

^{18:}**28** Every man of
understanding

knoweth **wisdom**, and
will give praise unto
him that found her.

^{18:}**29** They that were
of **understanding** in
sayings, became also

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wise themselves, and
poured forth exquisite
parables.

18: **30** Go not after
thy lusts, but refrain
thyself from
thine appetites.

18: **31** If thou givest thy
soul the desires that
please her, she will
make thee a laughing

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stock to thine
enemies, that
malign thee.

^{18:}**32** Take not
pleasure in much
good cheer, neither
be tied to the
expense thereof.

^{18:}**33** Be not made a
beggar by banqueting
upon borrowing,

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**when thou hast
nothing in thy
purse, for
thou shalt lie
in wait for thy
own life: and
be talked on.**